

SGA wants more student involvement

By Jonathan Smith
Campus News Editor

Elections for the offices of the Student Government Alliance were held Tuesday, Sept. 2. The elections resulted in an entirely new SGA staff, with the exception of Luis Vicinus being reelected for his second term as president.

There were 117 votes cast, which comes out to roughly one-sixth of the residential student population. These numbers were

higher than anticipated, but Mackenzie Halterman, newly elected Speaker of the House of Representatives, said "We'd like to get more voters. There needs to be more student political involvement."

The newly elected SGA officers in addition to Vicinus and Halterman are Pat McKone, Non-Traditional Student Representative; Jason Lance and Jared Horton, Commuter Rep-

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SGA officers pictured left to right: Pat McKone, non-traditional student representative; Jason Lance, commuter representative; Mac Halterman, Speaker of the House; Lewis Vicinus, SGA president; Seth Helmick, attorney general; Ryan Dickerson, resident hall representative; and Mykala Smith, public relations.

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Athletic field gets new turf

By Travis Ferrell
Editor

Just as the clothes make the man, a team is made by how and where it plays. PSC has just completed the installation of a synthetic field, made by Astro Turf Co. that costs over \$1 million dollars to install.

Mike Simpson, director of facilities/maintenance, said the new field is much more "durable" than a grass field. The field has "a lot of play."

With an ever-expanding athletic program, these improvements are needed, said Athletic Director Shawn White.

Antonio Rascon-Gato, recreation activities coordinator, said the field is "very soft" and was "very nicely done."

The field does not feel like any other synthetic turf field he has played on. "It looks more like real grass" and is "very nice to run on."

Rascon-Gato adds that the new lights are a great improvement that makes night play possible. He also adds that the field is open to all students, not just athletes.

Rascon-Gato says "more and more people are coming to the field every day

and it is everyone's responsibility to help maintain the field."

The turf is made of dual spine monofilament fibers that are filled seventy percent with Cryogenic Rubber or Crumb Rubber. Then there is an additional thirty percent of sand to fill in any gaps and provide a smoother contour to the field.

The new field is low maintenance, needing to be groomed or leveled every four to six weeks according to Simpson.

The field also undergoes a "Geo Max" test, to see if the fill needs to be added to keep the turf in prime condition.

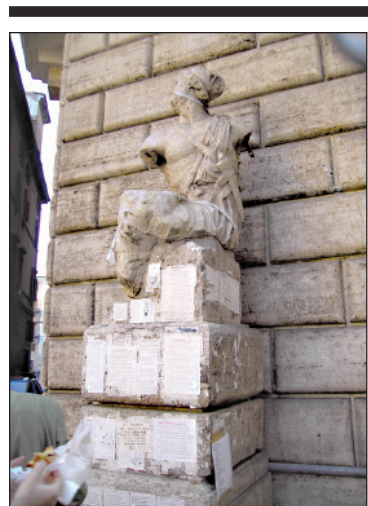
This is done by placing a large tube on the field and

dropping a weight inside to measure for padding and the amount of bounce. This will be done in fourteen different spots on the field to ensure the field will stay in superior condition.

The construction company was Green River Corp. located in Bridgeport, W.Va. This company also installed the field at Marshall University. GRC installed the new field over the summer semester in time for fall semester sports.

The Athletic Department prohibits food on the field. Pets, metal spikes, tobacco products, and bicycles are not allowed on the field.

The lights are timed to turn off at 11:30 p.m. each night.



Pasquino: Who are you?

We are the staff of your student newspaper, beginning our 94th year of continuous publication on the campus of Potomac State College. We are journalism majors and students from other majors, learning the craft of writing, editing, photography, interviewing, and page layout. We are proud of America's First Amendment free-press proclamation. We are proud of our name, Pasquino, in use since 1921, in honor of the Roman statue pictured left, one of Rome's "talking statues," where citizens left anonymous writings, critical of the government.



Constitution Day today at 1

Potomac State College is hosting a Constitution Day informational presentation today in the Church-McKee Auditorium at 1 p.m. by faculty members Cassandra Pritts and Nicklaus Goff. The presentation will be about the court case, *Miranda v. Arizona*, an important Supreme Court case that reinforced a citizen's privilege against self-incrimination: "Miranda rights."

Flu shots available next week

Health Services will conduct Flu Shot Clinics Wednesday, Sept. 24 and again, Thursday, Oct. 23, from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., in the Student Health Center. Students, faculty, staff, and family members are invited to participate. Because Rite Aid Pharmacy will be dispensing the vaccine and billing insurances,

individuals need to bring identification and insurance cards. A co-pay will not be collected. If you have a question whether your health insurance is covered, call Rite Aid at 304-788-5931.

Nurse Cherise Southerly is asking employees to let her know if there are other vaccine clinics they would like to have available on campus.

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WVU adds to PSC library databases

By Krista Kenney
Campus News Editor

Imagine all the people, students at Potomac State College, going to the library right now, the Mary F. Shipper Library, (which opened in 1961), expanding their ready minds with knowledge and skills to capture all that this semester will cram on them.

Then imagine this place with plenty of lighting, beautiful flowers, quietness, working computers, ready-to-open lap tops, access to over 300 data bases from WVU, couches, comfortable chairs and most of all, employees and volunteers willing to help. This place is clean, too!

Jill Gardener, library director, says, "This is the 'go-to' place; we offer help in Excel, Word, setting up My ID and more. There are 12 new desktop computers this year not including desktops and lap tops that were here last year."

She said, "The students have access to the Academic Success Center



Photo by Linsay K. Baker

downstairs, too. Just ask a librarian if you need help."

Gardener said, "Everyone here wears many hats and we are eager to help."

Kathleen Weber, library associate, says, "The library is open many hours. It is a quiet place to study and if we can't answer your question, we will point you in the right direction."

The hours of operation are: Monday-Thursday, 8 a.m. to 9 p.m., Friday 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Sunday 1 p.m. to 9 p.m.

Ben Walsh appointed to head Ag

By Pat McKone
Campus News Editor

Benjamin Walsh has been appointed Interim Coordinator of Agriculture and Forestry at Potomac State College. "I hope to create a unique program where students can learn agriculture and use it to become productive and make a living on the farm."

Walsh holds two bachelor's degrees and a master's degree from WVU. The bachelor's degrees are in Agricultural and Environmental Education and Agribusiness Management and Rural Development. His master's degree is in Agriculture, Forestry and Consumer Science.

For the past 12 years Walsh has owned and operated his own dairy and creamery. Green Glades Dairy was comprised of 65 registered Jersey cows, chosen for the higher fat

and protein content and production value.

Green Glades Creamery is an international, award-winning specialty cheese production operation. It produced several varieties of cheese including cheddar, feta, Havarti and their award winning Farmstead spreadable cheese brand.

The award-winning creamery established itself internationally by submitting their product to The World Jersey Cheese Award 2012. Green Glades Creamery was awarded a silver medal for their creamery feta cheese. His creamery also received a bronze medal for their Farmstead spreadable cheese. With these awards, Walsh was given promotional brand recognition on an international level.

Walsh is also a winner of the WV Recipe Challenge hosted at the WV State Fair



each year. The recipe entered was his award-winning Farmstead spreadable cheese.

While Walsh is responsible for the hard work behind cheese making, his wife, Dr. Callee Walsh, is responsible for the recipe development and cultures. With the addition of a new child in 2014, Walsh sold the dairy and creamery and accepted the appointment at PSC.

Campus arrests down

By Dustin Van Meter, Campus News Editor

Brian Kerling is Deputy Chief of University Police at Potomac State College of WVU. Kerling has worked on campus for eight years now and started as a part-time campus police officer in 2006 and earned his current position as Deputy Chief of University Police in 2012.

He has 13 years of experience in law enforcement, having graduated from the West Virginia State Police Academy in August 2012. Most of Kerling's training came from Storm Mountain Training Center located in Elk Garden, W.Va. where he took a sniper course. He received SWAT training by the FBI in New Jersey.

Kerling likes law enforcement because it is "constantly changing" and can go from "having breakfast to a foot chase" at a moment's notice.

Students at PSC can get involved in programs with the campus police such as the WVU Cadet Program, which Kerling compared to a neighborhood watch.

Since the beginning of the semester, crimes involving alcohol, marijuana, and theft have been common. "Theft is at its peak at the end of the semester," said Kerling.

Compared with August of 2013, overall arrests have been reduced from 33 to 17, with alcohol-related arrests reducing from 16 to three. This is partially because the University Police is at full staff, with five certified police officers, says Kerling.

The University Police may also assist state or local law enforcement if requested.



Photo and writing by Staff Writer Tessa Sawyers

The Student Involvement Fair took place on Tuesday, Aug. 26, under the tent on the Quad. Representatives from many clubs set up tables to promote their groups. Clubs ranged from Gamers and Geeks to the Ski Club. There are also religious and cultural organizations. Student Involvement Coordinator Jeremey Kaler says if there is not a group suited for you, stop by the Office of Student Involvement and find out how to create one!

Black Student Alliance plans campus events

By Ryan Dickerson
Staff Writer

PSC's Black Student Alliance is a club founded to make people aware of African-American culture, said club President Antar Davis.

The club's mission, taken from the group's constitution, says in part, "The BSA seeks to enrich student life at the college culturally, intellectually, and socially; and seek to strengthen and support the bonds of community between African Americans, all students at PSC, and the surrounding community."

"We plan on having dif-

ferent trips to museums and speaking events, along with different trips and a few talent shows and parties," said Davis.

One major upcoming BSA-sponsored activity is Keyser's Got Talent. Open auditions will be held at the Church-McKee Arts Center on Sept. 29, 30 and Oct. 1 from 7 to 9 p.m. Everyone is encouraged to bring their talent and audition for this special event.

The 'Keyser's Got Talent' event will take place during Homecoming festivities at the Church-McKee Arts Center on Oct. 22 at 7 p.m., with more than \$300

in prizes being awarded to first, second and third place winners.

Davis said that being African American means to be a strong person who understands his history.

When asked who he looked up to as an African American male he said that in high school, people called him President Obama because of his friendly attitude and nice smile.

BSA club meeting dates will be set soon. For more information about the club, contact faculty co-advisers Jennifer Merrifield and Michael Laws.

Residential Life has updated dorm policies since last year

By Damian Powell, Campus News Editor

The Residential Life offices are located on the first floor of University Place. The office hours on weekdays are from 8:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m. For after-hours help, contact a residential assistant.

On weekends you need to contact a residential assistant. The front desk in University Place is open from 4 p.m.-8 a.m. and at 8:30 a.m. when residential life opens.

Scott Rubin is the new head of housing and residential life.

Rubin is not new to Housing and Residential Life. He worked at West Virginia University for twelve years.

Rubin said that he likes how small Potomac State is compared to WVU. He said that there are as many students on our campus as there are in one of his former residential dorms on the main campus. With the small number of students, Rubin said that he can make a more personal connection with every student.

Last March is when Rubin started working at Potomac State College and he has since restructured the whole program. Rubin changed Residential Education to Housing and Residential Life with updated policies and procedures that help make things easier for students.

A new student life handbook and policies has meant new training for RAs. Rubin said, "The best training they have ever been," with that the residential assistance (hall coordinators/ RA's) are more of an influence in their halls on a day-to-day basis.

"The RA position has changed a lot since last year," said RA Emma Walton. "My building (University Place) has had three different RHCs since I got the job last year. They've all brought their own flavor to the building. This year we are all required to have a special duty; it's an ongoing program. Mine is tutoring/study nights in the Memorial Study Hall on Wednesday nights from 8-10 p.m."



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Homecoming set Oct. 24-25

This year's Potomac State College Homecoming, Oct. 24-25, celebrates the 100th birthday of Davis Hall.

The Catamount men's soccer team will take on Howard Community College at 1 p.m. on Saturday, Oct. 25.

Before the game, the Welcome Brunch and Recognition of Anniversary Classes 1964, 1989, and 2004 will be held in the Heritage Room (located in University Place) from 9 a.m. until 10:30 a.m. Campus President Dr. Len Colelli will provide an update on the College at 10 a.m.

Other activities scheduled for Saturday include a Campus Tour at 10:30 a.m. beginning at the entrance of University Place.

The PSC baseball team is hosting its second Alumni Baseball game at 1 p.m. with batting practice beginning at 11:30 a.m. After the game, there will be an alumni cookout at Golden Park. At 5 p.m. there will be a Baseball Alumni meeting to discuss the past and future of Potomac State baseball.

Also on Saturday, Campus President Len Colelli and his wife, Linda, cor-



With Potomac State formerly known as the Keyser Preparatory Branch of the West Virginia University, it originally included no facilities for room and board. Eleven years later, the school was finally funded by the West Virginia Legislature to build a dormitory that would house approximately one-hundred students. This dormitory was occupied for the first time in October of 1915 only for it to be destroyed two years later in a fire. Through much struggle and effort, in 1919 it was rebuilt and in 1940 renamed Davis Hall. Today it houses more than 100 students and is very much a landmark of Potomac State College. Photo by Damian Powell; writing by Jordan Lewis

dially invites the anniversary classes: 1964, 1989, and 2004 to a light reception at their home from 4 to 5:15 p.m. A shuttle will leave from the Science Hall parking lot beginning at 3:45. Please let Libby Kalbaugh in the Alumni Office

know if you plan to attend. Her number is 304-788-6870. You may bring a guest.

At 8 p.m. there will be a "Catamounts for Life" social hour at Clancy's.

The Campus Bookstore will be open from 10:30 a.m. until 1:30 p.m. for those interested in purchasing PSC or WVU items.

The Mary F. Shipper Library will be open from 10 a.m. until 2 p.m. Find out the interesting story behind the "Cistern Collection."

The annual Awards Banquet will be held in the Davis Conference Center on Saturday evening. Social Hour begins at 5:30 p.m. and dinner at 6 p.m. The cost of the dinner is \$20 for adults and \$10 for children 12 and under. Please RSVP by October 17 by contacting the Alumni Office.

Alumni Achievement honorees include Dr. Alfred Barr, Class of 1953, and Professor Don Emerson, Class of 1943. The Distinguished Service honoree is Anna (Dolly) Kimble Cox, Class of 1953. The recipient of the Young Alumni Award is Scotty Miley, Class of 2006.

Telecounselors needed

Are you looking for a job on campus? Would you like a job that works around your class schedule? Telecounseling might be the job for you! Telecounselors work in the Office of Enrollment Services a couple of nights a week during the fall and spring semesters. The primary role of a telecounselor is to help prospective students through the admissions process. Telecounselors will make phone calls to prospective students to help them answer any questions they might have about Potomac State and to ensure they understand the enrollment process. If you would be interested, please stop by the Office of Enrollment Services anytime between 8 a.m. and 4:30 p.m., Monday-Friday, to obtain an application. If you have questions, contact MaryElizabeth Keller, 304-788-6820 or by email at Mary.Keller@mail.wvu.edu. Application deadline is Friday, Oct. 3 by 4:30 p.m.

PSC serves community

By Isaac Ferebee
Sports Editor

PSC Serves You is now entering its third year of existence, and is working to bridge the gap between the community of Keyser and the Potomac State campus.

PSC Serves You is co-sponsored by Assistant Professor of Education and RBA Site Coordinator Ruth Schneider and Sociology Associate Professor Mollie Ravencroft.

With goals and aspirations of creating a positive image of the school, and being embraced by the community, PSC Serves You will kick off the 2014 fall semester by cleaning an elderly women's yard here in Keyser. They will also be focused on planning their annual St. Patrick's Day dance for handicapped adults.

PSC Serves You meets Tuesdays at 4 p.m. in Academy Hall, Room 205.

Walton said, "The way we do our job on a daily basis has changed also. Instead of having one RA on duty per night in their building, there are two RAs that rove through all of the buildings except Catamount Place."

Two RAs rove from 4-8 p.m. and another set roves from 8 p.m.-midnight. There is also an RA with desk hours during those time slots.

GO CATS

Johnson-Olin hired as new English faculty

By Linsay K. Baker
Contributing Editor

Martha Johnson-Olin, lover of teaching and medieval things, has joined the English faculty. Johnson-Olin resides in Keyser and her office is located in the Church-McKee Arts Center.

Johnson-Olin is teaching English composition for a tenth year now, but she also teaches developmental writing and literature courses.

"Life is all about learning. There is no such thing as wasted knowledge. You need every piece you acquired somewhere," she says. "I want students to be comfortable and able to ask any questions."

When she isn't teaching she is contributing to one of her favorite things, The Cinderella Bibliography site, where over 3,000 versions of the popular fairy-tale story exist. Out of these she has written about 75-100 different annotations, each with its own history. She would love to teach modern fiction and film eventually.

"I say, come and see me, let's talk about it," when referring to her other title as writing tutor.

"I am one of those people who just loves writing," she says. Her inspiration has come from fairy-tales, because of the story-telling you find in them and she is truly a "fairy tale scholar."

Johnson-Olin graduated from The University of Rochester, N.Y., with her Ph.D. this year and was very excited to teach at PSC. "I was interested in PSC because I could teach a range of composition courses, with each one feeding into the next, in a sequence of classes," she says.

She graduated from the University of Missouri with her bachelor's and master's degrees after graduat-

ing from Johnson County Community College with her associate's degree.

She has lived mostly in Kansas City, but moved to New York to write her dissertation on "Women of Middle English Romance," before moving to West Virginia with her family.

"I love studying literature. I can never read something just once because of the different perspectives you gain after you initially read it."

She is looking forward to less severe winters, getting to know other professors, and continuing her study of paleography, which is the study of ancient handwriting.



Photo by Linsay K. Baker

Hawkins returns to PSC as math tutor

By Maria Francis
Staff Writer

Sam Hawkins has taken on a new role as math tutor in our Academic Success Center. He has returned to his hometown to instill confidence in those who are apprehensive when it comes to mathematics.

Hawkins grew up in Keyser and graduated from Potomac State College before heading out to West Virginia University. While there,



he became a teacher's assistant where he began a long career of being looked to for guidance. After graduating this past spring with a master's degree in applied mathematics, he searched for many jobs including teaching positions here at Potomac State.

The most gratifying thing says Hawkins about tutoring is seeing the "light bulb" appear in someone's head when they finally un-

derstand a concept. "Other than my child being born, that's the best thing that has ever happened," he laughs.

Hawkins connects with students easily. He understands that teachers may not slow down to fit the needs of certain students. By slowing the pace down, those who come to him for assistance understand the material and improve dramatically within the

course.

Hawkins also helps unprepared students. "Math is like building a building," he says. "How are you supposed to build a second floor without a first floor?"

Concerning student's lack of confidence for math he says, "Some people hate math because they've always been told that they are bad at it. You have to find something to help them. And maybe it's just coming in here and doing ten problems until they feel like they're starting to get it. It's a little bit, and it will help go a really long way."

Being back in his hometown has a lot of meaning for Hawkins.

"I'm truly back home. I'm in the community that I grew up with and I've grown to love everyone," he smiles. "Everyone who works here is trying to help kids succeed; we wouldn't be working here if that wasn't what it's all about."

Although he says he won't be here much longer than two years, Sam Hawkins hopes to leave a mark on those that he tutors and the faces that he sees.

His passion and enthusiasm for helping students will continue to bring joy and comfort to those who are lacking the skills or confidence needed for any math subject.

Former student in Israel

By Travis Ferrell
Editor

The everyday calm is broken by "a huge boom sound in the atmosphere." Then a feeling rushes forward, "We have to run to bomb shelters."

"Where I live in Tel Aviv has had hundreds of missiles fired here."

This is not a scene from a movie; this is a real life account from Tamar Frumkin, who was raised in Keyser and attended two semesters at Potomac State College and now lives in Tel Aviv, Israel.

Tamar grew up in Keyser on B Street with her mother, Ms. Kathy Carvey, who taught theater at Keyser High School and at Potomac State College. She moved to Israel five years ago through what is called "Right of Return." As long



as a person had one Jewish grandparent, she can immigrate to Israel. Tamar has dual citizenship, which enables her entry into the U.S. or Israel.

The current rocket attacks by the organization known as Hamas have been in the news recently. For Tamar, this has become a part of everyday

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Men's soccer team opens with three shutouts



By Isaac Ferebee
Sports Editor

After an impressive 15-2-2, 2013 campaign, ending in a heartbreaking loss in the Region XX championship game, the Potomac State Men's soccer team is back and with a vengeance.

The Catamounts have started their 2014 season this month with three shutout wins: 4-0 against Lord Fairfax Community College at home, 3-0 against Stevenson University JV on the road, and 6-0 against

Allegany College of Maryland, at home.

Returning nine sophomores, experience is not something this team is lacking. And after a dominating 6-0 victory at home over Allegany College of Maryland last Friday, the experience was on display. Speaking with Head Coach Dr. Ray Kiddy, entering his 36th year of coaching, and sixth with Potomac State, he says that the abilities of this team so far show great potential, noting "this team is a better passing team... and its good chemistry on this team and that helps too."

Kiddy is expecting big things out of his best returning scorer, sophomore Australian forward Brandon Lee, who tallied three of the six goals in Friday's win, and was third in the nation in scoring among NJCAA players last season with 27 goals.

Lee is second among scorers in NJCAA this season, scoring nine goals in three matches. The team is also looking forward to the return of All Region XX Second team sophomore midfielder Jered Fike, who suffered an injury in the alumni scrimmage, and is expected to return to action within the next two weeks.

Being short a key player, Kiddy has been working players around to discover what works. "What's nice is, guys are stepping up," Kiddy said. To complement the returning players is an exciting group of accomplished freshman.

Look out for freshmen forward Austin Parker who was Allegany County Offensive Player of the Year, forward Ryan Mowery, who has quickly made a name for himself, scoring two goals early in the season, and Kiddy's "spark off the bench," midfielder Brett Vanderhout, who contributed a goal and an assist in Friday's victory.

With a great start to the season, experienced players, a handful of new talent, and new turf, Kiddy is excited to be coaching at Potomac State.

*Team photos
thanks to
PSC*

Lady Cat soccer scores 19 goals in 3 games

By Isaac Ferebee
Sports Editor

Entering his 13th year as Head Coach of Potomac State Women's Soccer, Mark Spouse has the Lady Catamounts off to a fast dominating start with four shutout victories to begin the 2014 season.

After finishing last season 6-6, the Lady Catamounts are showing positive signs, while also returning eleven sophomores to add depth and experience to the roster. Returning as the team's leading goal scorer sophomore Kirsten Rayner, who tallied ten goals last season, is off to a quick start scoring four goals in four games.

Then there is the arrival



of standout freshman Hannah Rezutek, who is the current leading goal scorer through four games with seven goals. Sophomore

goalkeeper Alana Nappi is off to a good start. She is tied for leading the nation with a 1.000 save percentage.

You can catch the Lady Catamounts in action at home after their five-game road trip, on Oct. 3, against Howard CC.

Cross country team wins opening meets

By Nikol Bouknight
Sports Editor

Potomac State's cross country team placed well this past weekend at the Greater Allegheny Cross Country Invitational in McKeesport, Pa.

For the women, Lenae Cole placed 12th, less than a minute from the top five.

For the men, Zac Simmons, Pierce Miller and Jordan Minshall placed five, six and seven. Josh Myers placed 11th.

Cross-country running is a sport in which teams and or individuals run a race on open-air courses over natural terrain. The course is typically 4-12 kilometers (2.5-7.5 mi) long.

Team manager Joshua Ivey chuckles, "Sometimes I feel sorry for the team having to wake up every morning at 6 a.m. to go running for miles. Have we gone mad?"

Well, those early mornings have paid off. The

cross country team members are letting their feet do the talking. After just two cross country meets this semester, the team received first place overall at

both meets.

Head Coach Ian Hankins will have the runners back in action later this week in the Shenandoah Invitational.

CATCH VOLLEYBALL ACTION
Monday at 6
Lough Gym
against Hagerstown CC

That crazy walk to campus

Breathless, heart pounding and adrenalin rushing, attempting to get to campus and class on time: Well at least that's what I feel when taking that God-forsaken trip up to campus from my dorm: Catamount Place.

Where do I begin? The walk is uphill and long, but crossing the main road through town is ridiculous. If it's not fearing for my life because I am afraid to be the next road-kill when crossing the street, it's the fear of getting docked points for being late to class.

There is NO close-by crosswalk on Mineral Street! Why? Can the school work with state roads, Mineral County, the City of Keyser, or even WVU to get atleast a crosswalk and maybe even a stop light?

After talking with many neighbors at Catamount Place about this topic, I have found that the majority (if not all) feel the same way about crossing the street to get to campus. The campus petitions to get my fellow students and I a crosswalk to cross the street have done nothing.

You would think that setting several alarms to wake up early would relieve the stress of being late to class, but instead it does the complete opposite. The earlier you awaken, the more traffic you have to wait for to pass in order for you to cross the street, and the driving citizens in the morning DO NOT stop for you to cross.

I am tired of being tired and sweaty when I finally get to class after I've showered and gotten dressed for the day. I will no longer stand for this; something must be done. It all boils down to the chain of effects. If we the students living in Catamount Place dormitory demand a crosswalk I believe we should be allotted just that, since we are paying to get our education.

What does our safety really mean to the school?

Nikol Bouknight

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Our Opinions Hello from the editor

Hello, my name is Travis Ferrell, and I will be taking over as editor of *Pasquino*. I was raised in Alexandria, Va. I am in my third year at the college, finishing a degree in journalism. I am a single custodial parent of a seven-year-old boy named Josh. I was a peer history tutor in the Academic Success Center and vice-president of the Black Student Alliance, last year. I hope to bring the same level of excellence as the student editors who have come before me.

Travis Ferrell

Manage your time

College, what is college; is it the place you see in movies or in television shows? No! College in real life takes a lot out of you and takes time, unlike colleges in the media. College is a place where people find their true selves. They find what and who they want to be. College can be fun and a great place if you have good time management. Time management is key in the life of a college student. It doesn't matter if you are a traditional or a non-traditional student; we all worry about time management.

Most freshman come to college expecting to party while other freshman come to get an education. There are a lot of party college students who end up not returning to college because of their bad grades or just because they did not like it. The partying in college is not what it is like on television and the consequences are much higher. The students who come to college expecting to be like they saw on television are in for a rude awakening.

The size of the college you attend might make a big difference for your time management. At a two-year school like Potomac State, the campus is smaller, dorms are quieter, and people are close. At a campus like West Virginia University, classes are spread farther apart, life is faster, and there is more opportunity for drugs and drinking distractions.

I thought college would be all fun and goofing off, not having to go to class all the time, but I paid the price. I ended up with bad grades and academic probation. I learned that college is not all partying, but it's not all books either; it is a time to find yourself, make friends and create relationships.

Damian Powell

Chocolate lovers unite

Last week I purchased a 12 pack of Reece's cups to satisfy my cravings. Disappointment arrived with the first bite. After eating most of them and still missing out on the chocolate rush, something was wrong. Was this another "get more but get less" scheme from chocolate haters?

We are chocolate lovers all over the world. Why are they skimping on our chocolate? I noticed more peanut butter mix inside and less chocolate outside. Remember when you could enjoy eating all the chocolate around the peanut butter and then eating the peanut butter patty or throwing it away?

Now, the chocolate is so thin you can't get it off the peanut butter making it so you have to eat the peanut butter whether you want to or not. So much for counting calories.

Who planned this? What do they eat? How do they live? Is this just another way to ruin our chocolate day?

Krista Kenney

MOVIE PREVIEW

By Morgan Dyche, Staff Writer

The Toronto International Film Festival has come and gone, which means it is getting close to Oscar season, when the year's best films are released. These are the films that often dominate the Academy Awards, such as *Gravity* and *12 Years a Slave* in 2013.

It is also a time for not so distinguished films to come out. Films that we more than likely won't see winning any high honor awards, but they will certainly leave their mark, whether it is good or bad. With all of that said, here are some upcoming films that are sparking some interest in the month of September.

September 17th

The Guest

Directed by: Adam Wingard

You're Next director Adam Wingard is back with a new film that mixes elements of horror, action, mystery, and thriller into what

looks like a very intense and exciting film starring Dan Stevens of *Downton Abbey*. The film centers on a soldier who claims to be a friend of a family's deceased son. The family takes the soldier in, but upon doing so, a slew of accidental deaths start occurring in the area.



September 19th

The Maze Runner

Directed by: Wes Ball

Based on James Dashner's best-selling novel of the same name, *The Maze Runner* is a young-adult film in the same realm as *The Hunger Games* and *Battle Royale*. The film is about a group of teens stuck in an ever-changing and seemingly never-ending maze. The teens face a fast-paced fight for survival as the group attempts to escape the maze.



Tusk

Directed by: Kevin Smith

Personally, this is the film that I have been looking forward to the most in recent months and is one of the wackiest film coming out this year. This Kevin Smith film is the first in his *True North* trilogy. Podcaster Wallace Byton, played by Justin Long, travels to Canada to interview an adventurer. Wallace is drugged, kidnapped, and told he will be transformed into a walrus.

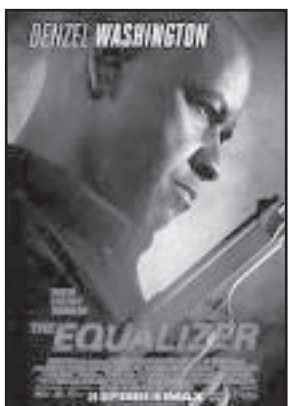


September 26th

The Equalizer

Directed by: Antoine Fuqua

This Denzel Washington action-fest directed by Antoine Fuqua, of *Olympus Has Fallen* fame, is about an ex black-ops agent who must come out of retirement to save the life of a young girl. He faces obstacles such as Russian gangsters. Boasting an all-star cast, this looks to be a stunning call back to Antoine's earlier works such as *Training Day* and *Shooter*.



Other notable films coming soon include; *20,000 Days on Earth* (September 17th); *This is Where I Leave You* (September 19th); *The Boxtrolls* (September 26th); and *Pride* (September 26th).

Campus Arts News

Slam Poetry Club begins this fall

By Maria Francis
Staff Writer

Slam Poetry has started at Potomac State College. Ryan Dickerson, member and experienced poet, described the club and the benefits that come along with joining.

Slam Poetry, spoken word taken to a competitive level, was created when Marc Smith realized that people were not sitting down for poetry readings anymore. He decided to score poets on their works, for fun, and breathe life into the poetry scene.

Dickerson explains that there are more than one poetry slam levels, including Brave New Voices, a slam for the youngest participants, which breaks you into the poetry world. After turning 18, participants may branch out and join other offshoots including Women of the World and College Union Poetry Slam, also known as CUPSI.

The Potomac State Slam faction hopes to travel to Richmond, Virginia where CUPSI is being held. Other Slam participants from all over the United States will also be competing from places such as Los Angeles, Milwaukee, and Rutgers, who are frequent winners.

Dickerson says, about CUPSI, "It is a competition, but for those who have been in the Poetry Slam atmosphere for so long, we know it's a friendly battle where we can share work with each other and get our voices out there."

Typically poems have messages attached to them. Race, feminism, and other forms of inequality seem to be the more recent ideas that are presented. "Many people use slam poetry as a way to further their activism," Dickerson explains.

Slam poetry has helped many upcoming performers to develop connections within the realm. Dickerson has met many Pulitzer Prize winning poets including Patricia Smith and Robert Owens through the help of his coach and from

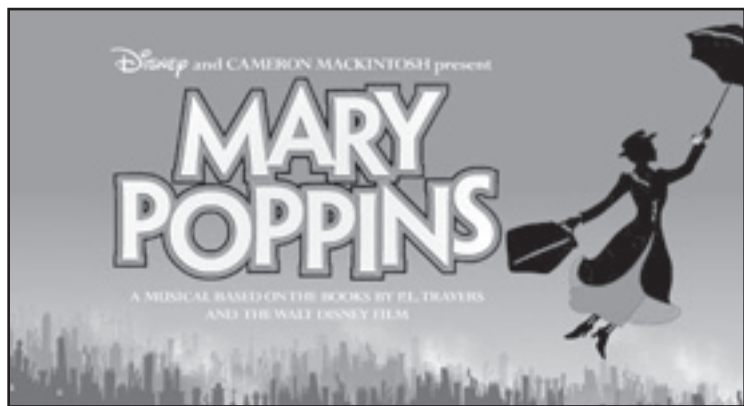


being in the community for so long. He says, "If you want to pursue poetry and writing as a lifetime career, [slam poetry] is a good way to help you meet these art-

ists who can teach you and influence you."

Slam Poetry will meet every second and fourth Monday at 4:30 in Academy Hall, Room 204.

Mary Poppins leaves Broadway, comes to PSC



Mary Poppins is scheduled to be the 2015 spring musical, pending approval of the rights from MTI, says Producer and Visiting Instructor in Music Brian Plitnik. "Mary Poppins has great music and has a great story that children young and old can enjoy."

Plitnik wants more student involvement in the show this year. Students may even earn college credit, THET 400, for being involved in the cast or working backstage with costumes, set, makeup, and more.

Auditions for the cast are Jan. 17-18; rehearsal begins the next day; and the show is scheduled for the final two weekends of March.

Tom Valentine will direct the actors. An 8-9 piece orchestra will accompany the singers. Contact Plitnik at 788-6969 for more information.

Campus News

New Interim Dean of Academics appointed

By Jordan Lewis
Feature Editor

Potomac State College has appointed a new Interim Dean of Academic Affairs, Dr. Edem G. Tettah. Tettah's education is extensive, here in the United States and in Togo, Africa, his homeland.

The university level of education is competitive in Togo, says Tettah. There was only one college when he attended and only students with the highest scores on the entrance exam were accepted. "Education is a primary element of our life," Tettah comments about culture in Togo.

Tettah planned on furthering his education outside of Togo, but not in the U.S., due to the language

barrier. French is spoken in Togo, so he considered Quebec or Paris. It was only after winning a green card in a government lottery that he became a citizen in the United States.

Tettah already had a master's degree in philosophy before coming to the States. He only received sixty transferable credits from this to start his new degree in manufacturing systems at North Carolina Agricultural and Technical State University. He graduated with a bachelor's degree, Magna Cum Laude, and continued on at the same school for his master's in industrial engineering. To further his education more, he attended Purdue University in Indiana for his Ph.D., in indus-

trial technology.

Before accepting the position here at Potomac State, Tettah was Assistant Vice President for Academic Affairs, Paine College, in Augusta, Georgia. He jumped at the opportunity here because he likes the size of the college and really appreciates the effort in works to make this a four-year institution. "I saw an opportunity to make history, to be a part of the team that could make this institution a four-year school."

In a bigger picture he has for this school he foresees more adult-friendly four-year programs and degrees. Also, he foresees opportunities for international education that will in turn increase enrollment.

Overall, Dr. Tettah is excited to be a part of this college and of our community; he and his family reside in Fort Ashby, West Virginia.

"We are enjoying being here; people are very friendly. This is the best place we have ever lived since coming to the United States."



Dr. Edem Tettah

Former student lives in Israel *From Page 4*

life. "In general, everything is the same. Israelis kind of refuse to submit to the terror. I always think about if a siren goes off where is the safest place to run to."

The Israeli people do have one of the best missile defense systems, being called by many "the Iron Dome." People in Israel are still dying from these attacks despite their defense system. Tamar points out

that the number of deaths have been low "because we spend so much on our defense systems."

"The rising instances of anti-Semitism in Europe and the rest of the world is very disconcerting... many protests began with a focus of 'free Gaza' and over the past month have deteriorated to be Pro Hamas - a terrorist organization, or even include the flags of Ji-

had and ISIS."

The recent cease fire has



brought a much needed sense of peace to the region. Now entering its third week, this short silence raises hopes peace can continue in the region, said Frumkin.

SGA wants involvement *From Page 1*

representatives; Ryan Dickerson, Residential Student Representative, and Jordan Twigg as Vice President.

The SGA House of Representatives voted to appoint Jason Dotts as Treasurer, Seth Hemlik as Attorney General, and Mykala Smith as Public Relations Representative.

Just how close the election for President and Vice President may or may not have come is unknown to everyone except for the SGA adviser, and he is not sharing that information.

However, the rest of the offices were uncontested.

Lots of student involvement is the key factor in the SGA's effectiveness. Positive changes need to be made, and we the students



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must be willing to do our part in making that happen, believes Halterman.

"We're coming off of a brand new written constitution," said Halterman. "For the next six months, we're going to be amend-

ing the constitution to make sure it works, it flows properly, and it's in the students' best interest. This (new) system balances power, and it gives us weight and authority to get things done, which is exactly what we've needed."

In order for the changes being made to be positive and have impact, students must get involved, and voting is not the only way to do it. The final section of every SGA meeting will now be an open floor for students to bring pleas, grievances, and petitions to the SGA House of Representatives, said Halterman.

The SGA wants your voice, values your opinion, and needs your help, said Halterman. Get involved. Make a change.



President Leonard Colelli on August 21 took the ALS Ice Bucket Challenge. Refreshed by the ice water, Dr. Colelli was nominated by a friend whom he worked with at a previous university. Over \$50 million dollars was raised in the first three weeks of this challenge and Colelli challenges any student who has not participated in this cause to do so.